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Mayor's office publishes "insider" student handbook

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – When more than 40,000 students hit the campuses of the four colleges and universities of this Inland Empire city in September, they'll be looking for something to do and somewhere to go in their free time.

That's when a 20-page booklet given to them during orientation will come in handy.

"Stomping Grounds," a student guide to Riverside's eateries, recreation, events and shopping, was published and distributed to the campuses two weeks ago by the Mayor's Office, in conjunction with the Higher Education Business Council.

As a professor of political science at University of California, Riverside, for 42 years, Mayor Ronald O. Loveridge understands students' needs to explore their new home.

"Stomping Grounds' offers important ways to explore Riverside," he said. "It discovers great eats, hangouts and many excellent things to do. There are some exceptional choices for students in Riverside."

An annual edition of the "Stomping Grounds" for this annual population surge has been on Riverside campuses since 2003. It is written, researched and edited by five local students – one each from California Baptist University, La Sierra University and Riverside Community College and two from UCR.

The guide covers restaurants, galleries, museums, parks, theaters and annual events in the city.

"I learned a lot about Riverside," said UCR student Katherine Sanchez, one of the editors. "The city is really big and I had fun seeing what it has to offer students."

"Stomping Grounds" can be found on campuses and on the city's Website:
www.riversideca.gov/sq/.

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